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Dedication

MR. WILLIAM F. NEY

Teacher of Latin and Mathematics

Assistant Coach of Football

As an expression of our gratitude for all your efforts made for us and countless other Somerset High students, we, the class of 1941, dedicate this yearbook to you, Mr. William F. Ney.

AUSTIN J. O'TOOLE

Principal of Somerset High School

"God give us such men—
Strong minds, great hearts,
True faith, and willing hands.
Men who possess opinions and a will."

RUTH B. MASON

Vice-Principal of Somerset High School

Class Advisor

"A wise and an understanding heart."

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Foreword

It is with mixed feelings of triumph and regret that we of the graduating class leave Somerset High School. We feel triumphant in work completed, in the whole-hearted participation of extra curricula activities, in cooperative membership in clubs and athletic teams whcih have made our school a worthy competitor in scholastic and athletic endeavors. Regret comes in the fact that, in a sense, the comradeship and good times had during our four years at Somerset High will fade into mere memories, and that never again can we feel we are really a part of it all.

So it is with this in mind that Memoirs IV has been written and edited by members of our class. to keep these intangible memories always with us. For there is a wealth of information to be found in our book. Its contents are valued not only for the character sketches and portraits of class members, which makes it a classbook; but also for the pictures and descriptions of all extra-curricula activities which allows Memoirs IV the title, yearbook. There are also interesting data and photographs of all school organizations; and of especial interest to the class its it history and prophecy.

We have endeavored to make the book attractive in appearance, complete in the records of facts, amusing in its character sketches, but, most of all, invaluable to you as a memory of four eventful years spent in progressive growth through work and activities at Somerset High School.

"Pick your peak and climb."

JOHN NORMAN AINSWORTH

Johnny came to us as a freshman from South School and has since been a welcome member of our class. In his Sophomore year he was elected secretary of the Camera Club, and while he has not taken an active part in our sports activities he did his part as manager of our victorious football team of 1940-1941. John is quite skillful with electrical apparatus and has been a great help in setting up the lights for the class dances. He plans a career in the Army Air Corps and we wish him much happiness and success in this thrilling field.

"Her sunny locks hang on her temples like a folden fleece."

ANNE ANGELL "Chickie"

Anne, a charming, vicacious, blonde girl who entered Somerset High School this fall, came to us from the B. M. C. Durfee High School in Fall River. Her winning personality found her a place in the Girls' Glee Club, and she was one of the eager founders of the Commercial Club. Anne is a good skipper and likes sailing very much, but cooking is her favorite hobby. Since Anne has been with us she has followed a commercial course. In the near future she hopes to become a secretary. Best of luck to you, Anne, we know that you will succeed.

"A man of leisure is a man of pains"

ROBERT ARTHUR AUCLAIR "Bob"

Bob is a mirthful, carefree gentleman with dark curly hair who is fond of the company of ladies, and who shows a great deal of school spirit by his constant attendance and cooperation at school dances and games. Besides taking a conspicuous part in attendance, Bob has also participated in all intramural activities. Bob is fond of boxing, hockey, swimming and tennis. We will always remember Bob's winning of the prize waltz, and hope that he will continue to win. "Keep stepping", Bob and win your way to success.

"Popularity is Power."

PRISCILLA EMILY BELL "Ding"

Priscilla, one of the most popular girls in our class and a devoted swing student, has had a very active social life at Somerset High School. She has worked on many dance committees, and it is a known fact that wherever Friscilla is, there is usually a good time going on. Her pleasing personality has won her many friends both among her classmates and members of the school. Priscilla's name is constantly linked with that of her friend, "Tish", for wherever you find one, the other is likely to be there also. She was the first girl in her class to obtain her driver's license, which she procured before reaching seventeen. In her senior year, Priscilla joined the Girls' Glee Club, and was also initiated into the Dramatic Club. During her four years at Somerset High, Priscilla followed the course of Home Economics, which proved interesting to her, and she plans to continue this course in a higher school. Good luck, Priscilla, and may success and happiness always be yours.

"She was ever fair and never proud."

JEANNETTE EVELYN BERUBE

Jeannette is a happy young miss with a sunny disposition and friendly character who can be depended upon for any task or favor which is asked of her. Because of this she has acquired many friends. Jeannette is very neat and enjoys sewing as one of her hobbies. She is a member of the Commercial Club and is one of our promising commercial students. There are many opportunities in this field and with her proven ability, we know she will reach her goal with success. Good luck, Jeannette.

"Health is the vital principal of bliss."

MIRIAM FAY BODWELL "Mim"

Miriam has been with us but one year, but has become a definite part of the Senior Class. During her brief year "Mim" has distinguished herself by being captain of the Girls' Varsity Basketball Team. In this sport Miriam has been remembered as "star forward". Her basketball ability was brought to us from Methuen High School where she was elected as co-captain of the team before she left to take up residence in Somerset. "Mim" has been willing to lend her piano playing talent whenever asked. She has served on many dance committees and also took an active part in the Girls' Glee Club and Dramatic Club. She was also elected vice-president of the Commercial Club. Although "Mim's" every other sentence is about Methuen, she is now wholeheartedly turning her heart to Somerset and plans her future in this vicinity.

"He conquers who endures."

JAMES NELSON BOULAY "Jimmy"

Nicknamed "Jimmy" by his school friends, James is a rather conservative and quiet lad. He is industrious and cooperative in all his classes, especially with his ever-ready answers in Mathematics which are always welcomed by the other members of the class. With his humorous and winning personality, Jimmy has won many friends throughout his four years at Somerset High. Although not participating in all sports, he was present at many of the games ready to give his support to the team. He is also very fond of dancing, as all can see who attend the school dances. Jimmy hasn't any specific plans after graduation, but we know he will succeed in anything he undertakes. Good luck to you, Jimmy.

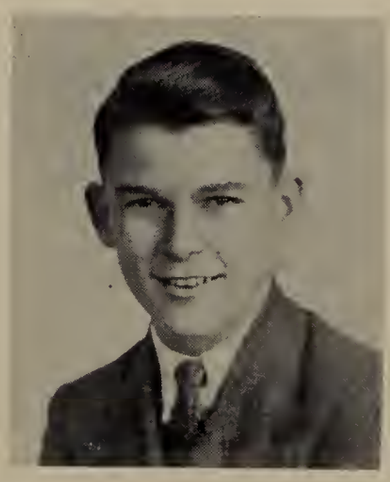
"One who excels the quirks of blazoning pens."

ELIZABETH ANNE BUTTERWORTH "Tish" "Tid"

Known as "Tish" by her friends and fellow classmates, Elizabeth has made many friends and is one of the most popular and active girls of the class. Having followed the College course for four years, "Tish" has taken an active part in extra-curricula activities. She has served on the Student Council and the Library Associates for three years, and during her Senior year was elected vice-president of the Dramatic Club, and was a member of the Girls' Glee Club. After serving on the news board for two consecutive years, Tish was made editor of the S. H. S. News, and further proved her journalistic ability as editor of Memoirs IV. Her close friendship with her inseparable pal, Priscilla, has endured throughout four happy years. This fall Tish plans to enter Jackson College in Medford to further her education. We do not doubt that with all she has to offer that her success is certain to be inevitable. "Lots of luck, Tish."

"Moderation, the noblest gift of heaven."

WALTER LYMAN CALDER "Walt"



Calder is one of the little men of the class. His quiet disposition and compromising attitude have won him many friends during his four years at Somerset High School. Walter has always received good marks in his studies. Although he did not play on a school team he likes sports, especially baseball and football. He is broad-minded and always seems eager to learn. Walt seems to have an interest for anything, but it is evident he likes aviation, for he is a follower of magazines and books on that subject. Calder has not as yet decided what his life work will be, but we are sure his ambition and persistence will lead him onward to success.

"Debate is Masculine."

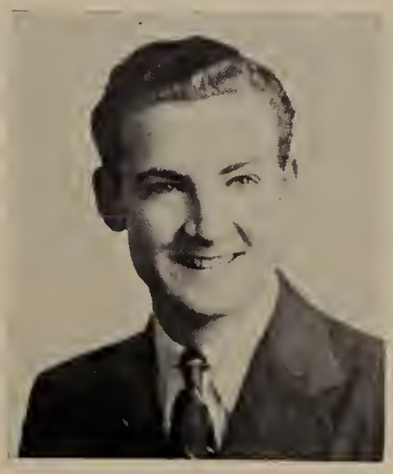
JAMES COURCIER "Goose"

"Goose" came to us from the Pottersville School as a freshman and since has been the life of every classroom. He chose the Commercial course from our curricula and has done well in his work. Jimmy is a tall, humorous, and witty fellow. He was captain of the baseball team in his senior year, starring as a pitcher. Few, if any, exceed Jim in knowledge of baseball. Besides starring in baseball as a pitcher, he has been a member of the basketball squad. Jim was a member of the Student Council acting as a boy councilor in his senior year and has participated in carrying out school projects. He is in doubt about what vocation he will choose for his future, but we know whatever he chooses it will be a wise choice and one in which he will be sure to succeed. We wish him success and happiness.

"Oh, she dances in such a way."

DOROTHY ELSIE CROSS "Dot"

"Dot" is an interesting and active girl. She has great talent as a dancer, and entertains many groups with her dancing. She also assists in making floral bouquets for her florist father, but hopes to make dancing her career. She is very thoughful and considerate, and succeeds in gaining many friends. Her happy disposition will account for her success in her career, and will add more links to her chain of friendship. She is always ready in planning an activity and usually succeeds in all of her plans. She is a member of the Commercial Club, and is a good student in the commercial line. In any career she may choose, we wish her all the best of luck.



"His very foot has music in it."

ROGER THERON CUMMINGS

"Roger" is one of the witty members in the class who makes life appear to be a joke. He is capable of provoking a laugh at any time. Roger's hobbies are typical of high school boys; he goes in for hunting and fishing. Roger is probably best known as an accomplished musician who plays the guitar. His audiences envy him whenever he plays; either solo, or duet with his older brother. He has played in the school orchestra for three years. Roger has been carefree in his studies which have been of the Commercial type. He plans to enter a machine shop after graduation and his ambition is to become a Class A machinist. To Roger we extend our sincere wishes for a fruitful future. May his ambition be fulfilled.

"Such beauty as a woman's sparkling eye."

AGNES LOUISE DAGHIR "Ag"

Agnes is one of the more sociable girls of our class whose set determination and lively spirit has tided her safely through a four year college course. During her junior year at Somerset, "Ag" was vice-president of the Student Association and has taken an active part in the Girls' Glee Club for the entire four years. Her radiant smile and vivacious spirit have won her many friends. "Ag's" favorite pastimes are swimming and collecting swing records. "Ag" would like to be a doctor's technician in the future, and we are certain that her success in that field will be inevitable. "Keep smiling, Agnes!"

"Hang sorrow, care will kill a cat."

ERNEST DEARNALEY

Ernie is a likable fellow, and his friendly manner and witty remarks have made him known and liked by all his classmates and members of the school. He has proved himself capable of working for the benefit of the class as he always cooperated wholeheartedly with other members of the class whenever a dance or social was given. Ernie was actively engaged in sports in his high school career, for, as a freshman, he was prominent in baseball, and later he became interested in football and joined the ranks on the gridiron as center in his senior year. Ernie's ambition is to break into the Journalistic career and be a newspaper man. We wish you lots of luck, Ernie.

"His form was ponderous and his step was slow."

ALFRED LEE DOYLE "Moe"

"Al" is the tall, blonde, well known senior who, during the latter half of his high school career, always seemed to be torn in his affections among the fairer sex. "Al", who is likable and genial, has made many friends in his four years at Somerset High School. Since he is a jitterbug, and enjoys dancing, he very seldom missed a dance at school, and it was usually he who led the crowd into "swinging it." "Al" did not show much interest in sports until his sophomore year, when he was on the basketball team. In his senior year, "Al" became prominent in football, for he starred at right end on the team, and did his share to win the championship for Somerset High. Taking a commercial course in high school, "Al" will probably enter the business world upon his graduation, and we wish him all the luck in the world.

"Gentle in method, resolute in action."

LLOYD DURFEE "Durf"

"Durf", Somerset High's radio man, has a jovial and pleasant personality, and is well known for his good humor. He came from Pottersville School and in the time he has been at Somerset High, he has proved to us that he has a mind which is capable of great things. Lloyd is fond of baseball, but has never starred in it because of his somewhat studious nature. Because of his interest in radio, he is a member of the Fall River Amateur Radio Club, and the American Radio Relay League. Lloyd hopes to make a career in Radio Engineering, and has chosen Tilton, in New Hampshire, as the place where he will continue his education. We know that "Durf" will succeed in his chosen field of work; we wish him all the luck he deserves.

" 'Tis well to be merry and wise."

OLIVE GERTRUDE FABER "Lol"

"Lol", the cheerful girl who came to us from the Wilbur School, is probably the most talkative young miss of our class. Her endless chatter has been heard throughout the school and has been a vital part of her high school career. Having followed the college course for four years, "Lol" served as a member of the Student Council in her freshman year and on the Yearbook Committee in her senior year. "Lol" posesses a high degree of skill as a drum majorette, and leads a well-known local unit. In the near future we'll see "Lol" twirling and strutting with her baton in some patriotic celebration. "Lol" intends to enter the field of nursing at the Truesdale Hospital soon. Lots of luck to you, "Lol".

"She stands elegantly upon a slippery place."

CAROLYN ANN FELAG "Honey"

"Honey" is a tall, slender, dark-eyed outdoor girl who has natural ability even though she finds devotion to her studies quite a task. "Honey", a prominent player of the St. Patrick's softball team, has won high acclaim in all fields of athletics. But most of all her contentment lies on ice and in a pair of skates. Her amiability lies in her entanglement in many hilarious situations such as the recent one brought about by her affections to a certain gentleman. "Honey" is determined to become a professional skater, and intends to work in the meantime to further her plans. So glide on, "Honey", on to success!

"His form was of the manliest beauty."

EDWARD BRADLEY FRANCIS "Eddie"

Eddie is one of the most popular boys at Somerset High. He came to Somerset High from the South School; has attained and has held a high scholastic standing during his four years here. Eddie became popular because of his keen wit and jovial personality. His very strong interest in athletics has made him well-known, and he has excelled in all fields of sport at Somerset High. Eddie, in his senior year, became president of the Student Association, and president of the Dramatic Club. He was also elected treasurer for the Round Table. Eddie's ambition is to become an aviator, but has put this aside until he finishes the course he plans to take at the University of Illinois. His hobby of collecting swing records is well known to all the students at Somerset High. The class of 1941 has always been proud of Eddie, and we hope his success at college will be just as great, or greater, than the success he attained at Somerset High School.

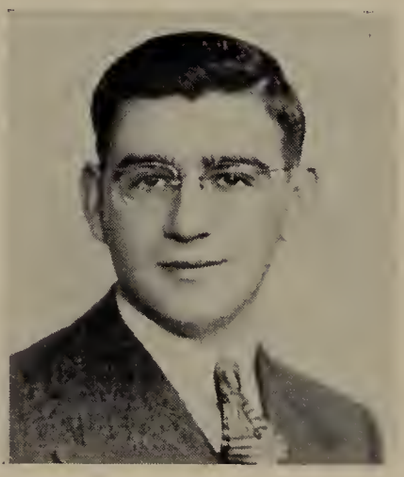
"The air is his charmer."

NORMAND GALLANT "Wings"

This courageous fellow, who is always ready with a humorous remark, came to Somerset High School from Prevost High during his second year in high school. In a short time, he quickly became very popular with the other students. During his third year, Normand left Somerset High to go to Detroit, where he received flying instructions for six months at nearby Selfridge Field. When he finished his course there, he returned to Somerset as a senior. Among his many hobbies, model building is his favorite, while his favorite sport is hockey. Normand is planning to take a course in Mechanical Engineering at college and from there he is to become a member of the Naval Air Corps, for which he has a recommendation. We hope that "Wings" will be very successful in his chosen occupation, and that sometime later when he is successful, he will remember the happy days he spent at Somerset High.

"Exceeding wise, fair spoken, and persuading."

EDWARD GALUSKA "Eddie" "Ed"



Eddie's pleasing personality and good natured laugh are familiar to everyone at Somerset High School. Eddie likes science. Since he entered S. H. S. at the beginning of his sophomore year he has taken all the science the school had to offer. He was a member of the Dramatic Club during the past year and also a member of the Round Table. Of all the sports Eddie likes tennis best. "Ed" collects stamps as a hobby and he now has an enviable collection. He hopes to go in for Radio and Television with Chemistry as a second best. His studious, energetic and efficient attitude towards his work is certain to reap great rewards.

"Gentle of speech, beneficent of mind."

BETSY GEORGE "Bett"

Betsy is one of the most pleasant, dignified, and quietest girls of the class. Her pleasant ways have brought her many friends, and some day, when she has reached her foal, she will give them her finest service. For four years she has followed the college course in preparation for the nursing profession, and we are sure that with her high spirits, courage and steady reliability, she will surely find success. Betsy has been treasurer of the Science Club this year, and was a member of the Girls' Glee Club in her junior year. Best of luck to you, Betsy, you are going to have a lot of patients.

"High erected thoughts seated in his heart of courtesy."

KENNETH STEWART GRAY "Kenny"

Kenny, the most outstanding member of his class, has been prominent in high school life since his freshman year. His classmates have shown their appreciation of his good work and fine personality by electing him president of his class for four years. He has also displayed his talent for leadership by captaining the football team, of which he has been a letterman for four years, to this year's Narry League Championship. Kenny had been a letterman in baseball for four years and basketball for three years, and he also enjoys a good game of golf. Among his other activities has been the office of vice president in the Round Table Club. Kenny is aiming at being a typewriter salesman, and with his personality and ability for leadership we know that he will be outstanding in this field.

"Ye have many strings to your bow."

JOHN THOMAS HIGGINS, JR. "Jack" "Pinkie"

"Pinkie", a very witty member of the class, has figured prominently in scholastic and extra curricula activities of Somerset High School. He has been a football letterman for three years and in his senior year was named an "All Narry Guard." John, also a letterman in basketball, was treasurer of the senior class, treasurer of the Dramatic Club, leader of the school orchestra, in which he plays a violin, and president of the Boys' Glee Club. He is well known in school for his powerful bass voice which echoes throughout the school daily. John will attend Tilton Prep School to study engineering and we wish him loads of luck in his chosen field.

"Patient of toil, serene amidst alarms."

HERBERT EARL JAMES "Chip"

"Chip" is a happy-go-lucky sort of boy and he never lets a moment of his life get dull. He has made his life at Somerset High one pleasure after another. "Chip" is always ready to try a little of everything as evidenced by his mixed course in his studies. Like all other boys, "Chip" enjoys out-of-door sports such as football and boating. In his freshman year he played on the baseball team. Though many people don't know it, "Chip" has a pleasing tenor voice and he has sung in the Boys' Glee Club for four years. Our carefree classmate has not yet planned what he is going to do after graduation, but we wish him many more happy pleasures in his future life.

"Whose little body lodg'd a mighty mind."

FLORENCE ELAINE KARNAS "Flossy"

Her scholastic ability has tabbed her as the "brains" of the class, for her name has never failed to adorn the honor roll. "Flossy" is a willing worker, cheerful and confident always. Her blend of humor and common sense has developed into a vital part of the class, and no one would ever think of passing Florence without receiving her ever-ready smile and bit of witty cheerfulness. She has been a member of the school orchestra and Glee Club for three years. During her senior year she played on the Varsity Basketball Team, and was secretary of the Round Table. Her ability proved its worth and this year she was appointed as Associate Editor of the Yearbook. Her hobbies are dancing, horseback riding, and tennis. For the future "Flossy" has no definite plans, but her success in commercial work is likely to influence her decision. Her classmates are standing by waiting to see her show the world what she can do.

"Variety is the spice of life."

FRANCIS KENNEY "Frannie"

Called "Frannie" by his friends, Francis followed the line of least resistance throughout his high school career, and won the title, "dreamer". Francis, a humorous, good natured fellow, came to us from the Pottersville School and took the Commercial course in high school. Fond of reading, Francis may be found at most any time browsing around in the library, and he claims to have read every fiction book in the library. "Frannie" is also interested in dancing and attended most all of Somerset's dances. "Frannie's" plans for the future are indefinite yet, but whatever line of business he chooses, we are sure he will make good.

"The very flower of youth."

ALINE MARGARET LeCOMTE "Rusty"

"Rusty", the butterfly of the senior class, always has a cheery greeting or compliment to drop to all as she floats through the day. Her peppy and carefree nature has pulled many a senior out of the "dumps". Aline's cooperation and willingness to lend a helping hand give evidence of her share in steering her class through the school years. When a junior, she acted as secretary to the class and in her senior year was elected to the position of girl councilor. Aline has been a member of the Student Council for two years, and has sung with the Girls' Glee Club for three years. She is an ardent follower of school sports, and an ever-present essential at all games. Aline's most important outside interest is drilling. Her beaming personality and never-failing wit is sure to guide her through the door of success.

"Blushes are the rainbow of modesty."

GLADYS HARRIET LORD "Gladdie"

Gladys is a quiet, well reserved young lady who greets everyone with a pleasant smile or word. She entered our midst in her junior year, and followed the general course. She was formerly a member of Dighton High School. Her favorite sport is swimming, although she enjoys other sports. In the near future, don't be surprised if you see a waitress with green eyes and brown hair, for that has been her ambition for a long time. We know she will make a very attractive and successful one. To her we say, "Good luck and happy landings."

"Cheerfulness is an offshoot of wisdom."

JEANNETTE MARGARET MASSE "Peanuts"

Jeannette is that bright-eyed, cheerful dark-haired popular young miss who is greatly responsible for the success and promotion of the school cafeteria by her services as cashier. She is well noted for her outstanding laugh which always attracts attention. Her cheery manner combined with her record as an honor student for four years accounts for her popularity among her classmates and teachers. Jeannette excells in commercial subjects which she has studied since her freshman year. She was secretary of the freshman class and secretary of the Student Council in her junior year. In her senior year, Jeannette was treasurer of the Girls' Glee Club, secretary and treasurer of the Library Associates, and vice president of her class. She was also a member of the Commercial Club. Because of her ability in the commercial field, Jeannette hopes to become a bookkeeper or secretary. We know she will succeed and wish her all the success she well deserves.

"Delicacy is the genuine tint of virtue."

KATHRYN MAXWELL "Cappie"

This blonde young miss came to us from Hammond, Indiana during the latter part of our senior year. She enrolled in the commercial course and is much interested in Home Economics. Her favorite sports are swimming, tennis, and roller skating; but we are not at all sure of having her with us this summer, as her's is a traveling family. In fact, S. H. S. is Kathryn's fifth high school and we are pleased to learn that she likes it here very much, although she considers it similar to the other schools she has attended. Kathryn hopes to further her education along the Home Economics course, and here's wishing you all the luck in the world, "Cappie."

"Fearless minds climb soonest."

ROBERT NATHANIEL MAYES "Mayesy" "Bob"

Bob is one of the most popular boys of the senior class, for he has the gift of being a good mixer with everyone with his ready smile and friendliness toward everybody. He has made a host of friends for himself not only in his own class, but throughout the school. "Mayesy" found little time for sports until his senior year, when he was guard on the football team and played a good game. Bob is an ardent follower of the big bands, and knows the members of practically all of them, for that really is his hobby. "Mayesy" is a very sociable fellow and has missed scarcely any of the dances at high school, appearing during his last year at all of them with the one with whom his name is often romantically linked. Bob, although his folks want him to attend college, has decided the Marines is the place for him and we know that with his personality and all he has to offer, he will go far in that field. More power to you, "Mayesy".

"A snapper-up of unconsidered trifles."

MARY OLIVERIA "Happy"

Mary is one of the talkative young ladies of our class. Her mischievous smile and happy disposition has drawn many friends. She likes to cook, and one may also find her down in the sewing room during a free period. Mary has been a member of the basketball squad for four years. She is very fond of roller skating and can always be found at Cashman's Roller Rink on a Sunday night. At present she has no plans for the future, but we know that she will succeed in whatever she undertakes. Keep smiling!

"Honor lies in honest toil."

CONSTANCE LOUISE PARROTT "Bud-a-dee'

"Bud-a-dee" is the girl with the exuberant personality who can be found most of the time in the typewriting room. Not satisfied in participating in school activities, Constance has made a notable record in all her classes, especially those concerning commercial studies. Her school activities have included the Glee Club of which she is secretary. She has shown her enthusiasm and willingness to cooperate with members of the news staff as she is the typist. With the organization of a Commercial Club, Constance's enjoyable and earnest qualities won for her the title of president. Being interested in all sports, she has played basketball with the Girls' Varsity. Constance's one ambition is to become a secretary. Since her excellent typing has held her in the highest esteem among her many friends, we know with her efficiency and reliability Constance will be as asset to any office.

"Wisdom is better than rubies."

PETER PASKOWSKI "Pete"

Pete is a quiet chap who is always ready with a friendly smile. He is studious and industrious, which probably accounts for the appearance of his name quite frequently on the honor roll. Pete is courteous, both in class and to his fellow students. He served on several dance committees and is always willing to obige. Pete took the Commercial course. He likes bookkeeping. He desires to hold a civil service job or a position as an accountant. With your ability and ambition, Pete, we are certain that success will crown all your achievements.

"To err is human, to forgive divine."

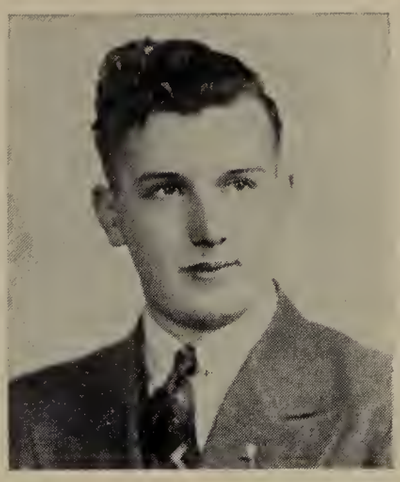
OLIVER PERRY JR. "Warner"

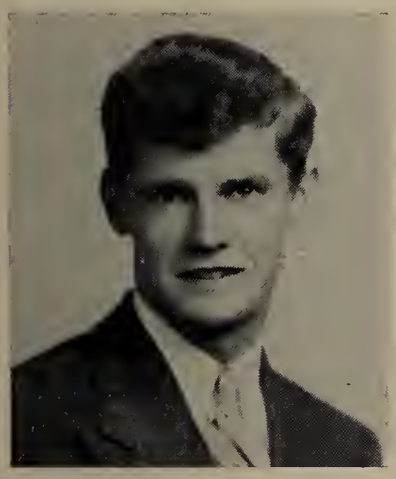
"Warner" is one of the quiet members of the class. His winning personality and ready smile has earned for him many friends. Warner was the foundation of the orchestra for one year, and his bass voice has carried the Glee Club along for three years. Warner in his four years has been a big help to the school. He was always around when committees were formed, and he participated with hearty good will. He printed the Somerset High News for one year. Warner's abilities were outstanding in other lines, as in the field of cooking. In his senior year he took cooking with a group of fellow seniors and proved he had skill in the culinary arts. Warner is a little undecided about his future. He is interested in chicken farming and machinery. Best of luck to a nice boy!

"Deeds survive the doers."

ALFRED REZENDES "Al"

Coming to us from the Village, "Al" has followed a general course. Having shown his ability to use his powers of concentration in Algebra and Physics, he has won the admiration of many classmates and friends. His keen mind and sense of humor have been the high notes in his high school career. Most of his spare time is spent in stamp collecting or in salt water fishing. Although his plans for the future are indefinite we are sure he will be successful in any line of work he chooses. Lots of luck, "Al".





"He danced like a gentleman."

WILLIAM ARTHUR SHANNON "Billy" "Bill"

"Billy", a fellow short in stature, may be called the midget of his class. He is one of the shortest fellows of the class and one of the best dancers. He came to us from the Pottersville School and selected the Commercial course. "Billy" was elected treasurer of his class for two years, a boy councilor for one year, and treasurer of the Student Association in his senior year. He should be acclaimed for his popularity and ability to carry on the work of his class as treasurer and councilor. "Billy" has worked diligently for his class and as an officer has done well. His favorite sport is basketball, but in the summer time you may find him playing tennis which seems to occupy a good proportion of his spare time. "Billy's" wish is to become a pattern maker and we wish him success.

"Her kindness was virtue itself."

AGNES RITA SILVIA "Rita"

Because of her jolly, carefrce disposition, Rita has a variety of friends. Wherever anything exciting is taking place, you will always find her there. In her four years here, Rita has taken a college course, and would like to become a nurse. During her school years she has been ready to help on all committees and has been a regular attendant at all class activities. She has worked diligently after school in the office and has also devoted her spare time to straightening library books for the good of the school. Rita is musically inclined for she has been a member of the Girls' Glee Club and is very fond of swing bands . In her senior year, Rita met with an unfortunate illness, and was confined to St. Anne's Hospital for three weeks. Although Rita is uncertain of her future ambition, we wish her the best of luck which she deserves.

"A smile that glow'd."

HILDA SILVIA "Dark Eyes"

Hilda is that girl with the ever-enchanting smile of which she is noted for by all her acquaintances and classmates. She is always ready and willing to accommodate her school friends. One knows that she can be depended upon for any task and willingly render her services. She has been most efficient and reliable as office clerk. In her senior year she became a member of the Commercial Club. She has also been a member of the Glee Club since her freshman year. Hilda has been an active member in all her classes. Her special subjects being those in the commercial line: shorthand, typewriting, and bookkeeping. As a secretary we know she will be successful, for she is well suited for this type of work. Best of luck to you Hilda, and may the road to success be that of happiness.

"Bright gem instinct with music vocal spark."

EVELYN MARGUERITE SIMMONS "Ev"

Evelyn, a cheerful and fun-loving member of the class, is well noted for her lovely voice with which she has entertained us at many school assemblies. For four years she has been a member of the Girls' Glee Club, often starring as a soloist. Evelyn is especially interested in the commercial field, and has already received some experience by working in the school office every afternoon. She is also typist of the school newspaper. Evelyn enjoys outdoor sports very much, but is especially interested in roller skating. Although she has no definite plans for the future, we know she will attain success in whatever she chooses.

"In his chin appears a pretty dimple."

HOWARD FRANCIS SIMMONS "Howie"

"Howie", the dimple-chinned senior, has a ready smile and a happy appearance for everyone he meets. He is very fond of sports and has taken part in football, baseball, and basketball during his four years in high school. He has also been active in the culinary arts in which he substitutes salt for sugar in his recipes. "Howie" has not yet decided what his occupation is, but with the knowledge he possesses he will be successful in any career. With his winning personality, we know he will be successful.

"Diligence increaseth the fruit of toil."

RAYMOND SLUSARZ

"Ray", although he is quiet, is known to his many friends and to his teachers as being a thoughtful boy. He greets everyone with a radiant smile and is always willing to help everybody. Ray has helped a great deal in Somerset High as well as in several grammar schools in town by constructing shelves and bookcases. Our smiling friend enjoys outdoor hobbies which include hunting, fishing, and hiking. Ray has followed the general course in school and after graduation he plans to enter Herrick's Business School. His ambition is to take a Civil Service examination that will allow him to become a Postman. Best luck to a successful "route" in life, Ray!

"She's a bonny wee thing."

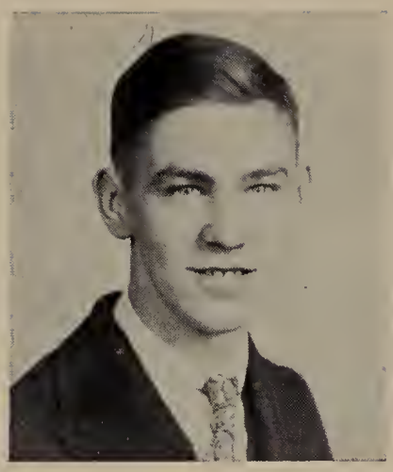
ELSIE SOUZA

Elsie is a shy, but happy girl. She is liked by all of her friends, and she can be counted on in any activity she is called upon to do. She has taken Household Arts for four years, and along with skating and drawing she likes sewing as her hobbies. She has talent as a sewer and would like to become an expert seamstress in the future. She is torn between a love for sewing and a love for drawing, but whatever she may choose we know she will be very successful.

"He hits the mark his eye doth level at."

BYRON BLAISDELL WARING

Byron is an industrious and jovial fellow with an ability to get along fine with all whom he meets. He is mechanically minded and spends most of his spare time hunting and fishing in all kinds of weather. He is a good conversationalist and there is never a dull moment when you are speaking with him. He came to us from Durfee High School and started and finished his senior year here. He has many friends who will never forget his pleasing manners. Byron wishes to get into Brown and Sharpe and we all wish him success for with his present abilities he can go places. Success and happiness come from all your classmates.



"His heart was in his work."

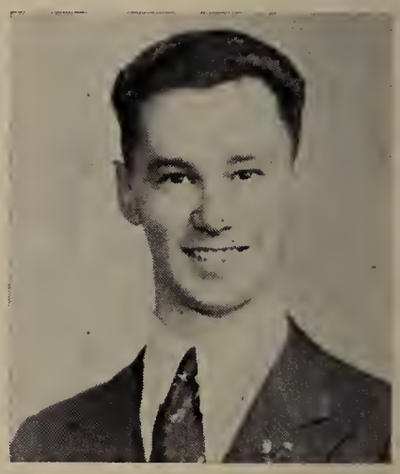
CARL RUSSELL WHITNEY "Jeff"

Carl is the studious, quiet type. Although he always appears to be day-dreaming he is always ready with a smile. Carl did not play on a school team; nevertheless he is an ardent follower of sports, especially in the major leagues. He knows the names of most of the professional teams and their most popular players, and is always ready to supply fuel to the fire of conversation when the subject is sports. Carl is industrious and always does his work well. He has a hobby of collecting stamps. Carl would like to acquire a civil service position, preferably as mail carrier. Good luck to you Carl.

"A moral, sensible, and well-bred man."

CLIFFORD WOOD "Cliff" or "Woody"

This quiet Physics expert came to Somerset High from the Village School, and while here, he has achieved a fine scholastic record. Cliff is fond of Science and has chosen, among other studies, all the sciences at Somerset High: Biology, Chemistry and Physics. Cliff's chief interest is the mechanics of an airplane engine. He has taken correspondence courses in Theory Engine Aircraft, and hopes to get practical training in an aircraft factory. In sports, Cliff enjoys most basketball, soccer, and swimming. He has not participated in any of the school sports because he could find no time for them. Model building heads his list of hobbies and it is well-known that Cliff makes an excellent air model. Cliff belongs to only one of Somerset's clubs and that is the Round Table, in which he is very prominent.



Class Officers

President ..... Kenneth Stewart Gray

Vice President .... Jeannette Margaret Chace

Secretary ..... Stasia Cerkot

Treasurer ..... John Thomas Higgins

Girl Councilor ..... Aline Margaret LeComte

Boy Councilor ..... James Francis Courcier

WHO'S WHO

CLASS	BOY	GIRL
DID MOST FOR S. H. S.	Edward Francis	Elizabeth Butterworth
DID MOST FOR CLASS OF 1941	Kenneth Gray	Stasia Cerkot
MOST LIKELY TO SUCCEED	Edward Galuska	Avis Clifton
MOST BRILLIANT	Edward Galuska	Florence Karnas
MOST STUDIOUS	Edward Galuska	Gertrude B. Chatterton
MOST POPULAR	Edward Francis	Priscilla Bell
MOST DIGNIFIED	Clifford Wood	Betsy George
MOST MUSICAL	John Higgins	Gertrude B. Chatterton
MOST COMICAL	James Courcier	Carolyn Felag
MOST ORIGINAL	Edward Francis	Stasia Cerkot
MOST ROMANTIC	Byron Waring	Ann Angell
MOST ATTRACTIVE	Alfred Doyle	Elizabeth Butterworth
MOST VERSATILE	John Higgins	Miriam Bodwell
MOST ATHLETIC	Kenneth Gray	Carolyn Felag
MOST INTERESTING	Fred Chapin	Stasia Cerkot
MOST AGREEABLE	Oliver Perry	Constance Parrott
BEST ORATOR	Fred Chapin	Stasia Cerkot
BEST DANCER	William Shannon	Priscilla Bell
BEST SINGER	John Higgins	Evelyn Simmons
BEST ARTIST	Clifford Wood	Carolyn Felag
BEST LOOKING	Kenneth Gray	Elizabeth Butterworth
BEST POET	Howard Simmons	Constance Parrott
BEST PERSONALITY	Robert Auclair	Stasia Cerkot
QUIETEST	Carl Whitney	Elsie Souza
NEATEST	Robert Mayes	Gertrude B. Chatterton
NOISIEST	Robert Auclair	Mary Oliveira
WITTIEST	James Courcier	Mary Oliveira
FASHION PLATE	Edward Francis	Hilda Silvia
GIANT	Fred Chapin	Carolyn Felag
MIDGET	William Shannon	Elsie Souza
FLIRT	Alfred Doyle	Priscilla Bell
DREAMER	Francis Kenny	Agnes Daghir
BABY	Lloyd Durfee	Avis Clifton
GIGGLER	Edward Galuska	Jeannette Masse.

CLASS HISTORY

FRESHMAN YEAR

In early September 1937, the Class of 1940 entered the new Somerset High School, thus beginning its high school career.

The first class meeting was held in the school auditorium in late September. At this time, under the direction of Mr. Thomas F. Eagan, class advisor, class officers were chosen. The first class officers were:

President ..... KENNETH GRAY
Vice President ..... STASIA CERKOT
Secretary ..... JEANNETTE MASSE
Treasurer ..... WILLIAM SHANNON

The councillors were appointed this year. Those chosen were: Gertrude Chatterton, Olive Faber, Elizabeth Butterworth, Edward Francis and Howard Simmons.

At the freshman reception, in October, the class of 1941 were welcomed by their teachers and upper classmen.

In December, the freshman class sponsored the Christmas Dance which proved to be a financial as well as a social asset.

During this year many new activities were originated. Among these were a 4-H Club, Camera Club, Girls' Glee Club and Library Association. The Library Associates who were appointed, at the end of the first year, from the freshman class were: Elizabeth Butterworth, Stasia Cerkot, Gertrude Chatterton and Jeannette Masse. Physical Education classes were also inaugurated this year under the supervision of Mr. William Spokesfield.

Amidst a great deal of social function, this year swiftly drew to a close and the class awaited, not without anxiety, the approach of their Sophomore Year.

SOPHOMORE YEAR

It was with added vigor and enthusiasm that the Class of '41 began their sophomore year.

This year, Class officers were chosen by ballot. Each candidate for election took out nomination papers and sponsored campaigns. The following were elected to the offices:

President ..... KENNTH GRAY
Vice President ..... STASIA CERKOT
Secretary ... ELIZABETH BUTTERWORTH
Treasurer ..... WILLIAM SHANNON

The councillors who acted as Class representatives were: Gertrude Chatterton and Edward Francis. The class officers, however, were also members of the Student Council.

In late October, the Sophomore Class sponsored the Freshman Reception, on which occasion the freshmen were their guests.

Again great interest was shown in extra curricular activity and the members of the class were kept busy maintaining a balance between scholastic and social activity. During this year, a Boys' Glee Club, an organization in which several sophomore boys became members, was formed.

About the middle of the year, because of the interest shown in dramatics by many students, Principal Austin J. O'Toole, organized a Dramatic Club. In early June, this club presented three plays in which a few sophomores were given roles.

Probably one of the most important events of this year was the purchasing of a sound movie projector, which was made possible by a drive under the auspices of the S. H. S. News Board.

Too quickly indeed, it seemed, this year rolled on only to find the class of '41 ready to accept their responsibilities as a Junior Class.

JUNIOR YEAR

fter looking forward anxiously to the time when the Class of '41 would enter the junior year, it was not without a certain air of superiortiy and optimism that the Class embarked upon their journey as juniors.

The first class meeting was held on September 18 in the auditorium at which Miss Doris J. McCarthy, class advisor, supervised the election of officers. Those chosen to lead the class during 1939-1940 were:

President ..... KENNETH GRAY
Vice President ..... STASIA CERKOT
Secretary ..... ALINE LeCOMTE
Treasurer ..... EDWARD FRANCIS

The councillors were Elizabeth Butterworth and William Shannon.

From the junior class, as is the custom, were chosen the vice-president and secretary of the Student Association. Those given the respective offices were Agnes L. Daghir and Jeannette Masse.

The Southeastern Convention was held at Durfee High School this year. The members attending from the junior class were: Agnes Daghir and William Shannon.

This year the junior class presented the "Spring Hop" which proved to be an all-round success.

As an added activity, the Round Table was started of which six members of the Junior Class were made members at the close of the year.

The selection of class rings is an important affair in any junior's life. After making this selection more than half of the class bought rings or class pins.

Every junior lives in anticipation of their Junior Prom with its gaiety and glory. With this unparalleled social event in its colorful Chinese setting and breath-taking music, the Class of '41 ended their Junior Year in probably a more successful fashion than ever before.

SENIOR YEAR

With the approach of September in 1940, came the last year for the Class of 1941 at Somerset High.

At the first of the year class officers were elected. Those given offices were:

President ..... KENNETH GRAY
Vice President ..... JEANNETTE MASSE
Secretary ..... STASIA CERKOT
Treasurer ..... JOHN HIGGINS

Student Councillors chosen were Aline LeComte and James Courcier.

The boys were now given a chance to hold office in the Student Association. The boys receiving this honor were Edward Francis, president and William Shannon, treasurer.

The Southeastern Convention was held in Plymouth this year. Members of the senior class attending were Edward Francis and William Shannon.

This year it was decided that the Senior Class with the assistance of Mr. Eagan, should sponsor the Annual Christmas Dance. The support of the class being given aided in making this affair successful.

The extra-curricular activities were now running to capacity. To these were added a Commercial Club to which many of the senior girls belong.

In February, the Winter Carnival was presented by the Senior Class. With its unusual decorations and the full cooperation of the class it was a very gala event.

This year it was decided that the Junior-Senior Proms be united to facilitate graduation preparation for the Senior Class.

Again the cap and gown for graduation was considered and after a lively discussion it was found that the majority were not in favor of wearing them but that the usual custom would be continued.

It is indeed an honor to be a member of the first class to complete four years within the portals of this new high school and it is with deep regret that we shall leave our old Alma Mater.

As with all former senior classes, senior activity is brought to an official close with the senior banquet, and, last but not least, the spontaneous result of four years pain and pleasure, joy and sorrow, work and play—Graduation!

The School

"What greater or better gift can we offer the republic than to teach and instruct its youth." — Cicero

SCHOOL MOTTO

"CARPE DIEM"

SEIZE THE OPPORTUNITY

Victory Song

(Dedicated to all men who have worn the
Blue and White)

The Blue and White forever
Honor-honor to those who
Carry on - marching on
Onward to victory!
We'll fight on for Somerset
Proudly-carry her banner high
In defeat or triumph sweet,
Her name will never die.
The Blue and White forever
Fight! Fight! Fight for the Blue and White
To the end, we will bend
ON TO VICTORY!

(Tune: "The Ranger's Song")

THE STUDENT COUNCIL

The Student Council was first organized and established in 1935 when the temporary high school was housed at the Village School.

The first Student Council established the by-laws and named the powers that it would have in relationship to school matters. The members of the first Student Council were selected by the faculty but succeeding councils have been chosen by their respective classes.

The Student Council consists of the four class officers and two councillors from each class, one boy and one girl.

The Student Council officers are elected by vote of the entire school, or Student Athletic Association. The Student Council is the advisory board of the Student Association.

The main objective is to help the school and faculty in any possible way. During this year it has helped to improve the athletic field, has sent delegates to various conventions, has joined the National Council, and has helped bring certain problems to the minds of the faculty.

The present members of the Student Council are :

President, EDWARD FRANCIS
Vice President, FLORENCE SANBORN
Secretary, CLAIRE CHACE
Treasurer, WILLIAM SHANNON

SENIOR REPRESENTATIVES

Jeannette Masse	John Higgins
Aline LeCompte	Kenneth Gray
Stasia Cerkot	James Courcier

JUNIOR REPRESENTATIVES

Virginia Doyle	Robert Worton
Helen Lee	Everett Bradley
Margaret O'Neil	Amorin Reis

SOPHOMORE REPRESENTATIVES

Helen Oliver	Bradford Leonard
Evelyn Souza	Robert LeCompte

Audrey James

FRESHMEN REPRESENTATIVES

Beatrice Golden	Donald Parrott
Barbara Talbot	John Lynch
Dorothy Parrott	Theodore Williamson

GIRLS' GLEE CLUB

The Girls' Glee Club of Somerset High School was organized in 1937, with Miss Ruth B. Eddy as supervisor. This September the club was reorganized with 51 members. The club has taken part in many activities, including a special Christmas assembly in which Christmas songs were sung.

The officers of the club are: President, Stasia Cerkot; Secretary, Constance Parrott; Treasurer, Jeannette Masse; Pianist, Gertrude Chatterton.

Other members of the club are: Seniors—Anne Angell, Priscilla Bell, Miriam Bodwell, Elizabeth Butterworth, Agnes Daghir, Carolyn Felag, Florence Karnas, Aline LeComte, Hilda Silvia, Rita Sivia, Evelyn Simmons.

Junior—Mildred Camara, Claire Chace, Theresa Curt, Virginia Doyle, Marion Doucette, Helen Lee, Alma Merrill, Florence Sanborn, June Snyder, Pauline Sylvia.

Sophomores—Claire Higgins, Beatrice Medeiros, Rita Pouliot, Mary Ryan, Irene Snyder, Evelyn Souza, Adella Spanick, Eunice Vestal.

Freshmen—Barbara Allen, Ethel Bell, Constance Chace, Ruth Clarkson, Martha Deane, Dorothy Doucette, Ruth Golden, Dorothy Gonsalves, Ruth Leach, Gwendolyn Mayes, Helen Oliver, Dorothy Parrott, Eva Pavao, Ruth Sherman, Helen Silvia, Barbara Talbot, Donalina Tavares, Barbara Thurston.

BOYS' GLEE CLUB

The Boys' Glee Club was organized in September 1938 with Miss Ruth B. Eddy as supervisor. It was organized last fall with an enrollment of 31 members.

The officers of the club are:

President, JOHN HIGGINS
Secretary, CHARLES CAMPOS
Treasurer, JOSEPH BORGES
Pianist, JAMES AMARAL

This year, the club sang for the Infantile Paralysis Fund Drive, and for the Pottersville P. T. A., besides participating in the assembly programs. Member are: John Higgins, Charles Campos, Arthur Botelho, Harold Bridge, John Veloza, Joheph Borges, Raymond Brown, Kenneth Allgrove, Robert LeComte, Bradford Sanderson, Bradford Leonard, Alphonse Braga, Michael Urban, Manuel Amaral, Luperce Silvia, Albert Oliver, Carl Kashar, Marcel Desbiens and Lawrence Hayden.

THE ORCHESTRA

The orchestra, under the direction of Miss Ruth B. Eddy, has won much recognition from the school and the townspeople.

This school year many musical assemblies have been presented to the student body which have been enjoyed immensely. At Thanksgiving, Miss Eddy arranged a Talent Show of Musicians. The orchestra played an assortment of pieces and the Chatterton Trio rendered several appropriate selections. At the Christmas Assembly, the orchestra introduced the Christmas Choral and Speaking Group presented by the Girls' and Boys' Glee Clubs. . The orchestra also entertained at the Annual Fashion Show at Somerset High.

Miss Eddy plans another interesting musical program for Dramatic Night and Graduation Night. The orchestra has certainly proved itself to be a vital part of school life.

Members of the orchestra are:

Violins—John T. Higgins, Eunice Chatterton, Dorothy Doucette, Marjorie Lee, Edward Souza and George Columbe.

Mandolin—Charles Campos.
Bells—Florence Sanborn.
Xylophone—Dorothy Grantham.
Trumpet—James Amaral.
Cello—Arlene Chatterton.
Bass Violin—Marion Doucette.
Drums—Robert LeCompte.
Pianist—Gertrude B. Chatterton.

Members of the graduating class who are in the orchestra are Gertrude B. Chatterton, John T. Higgins and Charles Campos.

THE LIBRARY ASSOCIATES

The Somerset High School Library under the direction of Mr. William A. Hart and his loyal Library Associates is steadily increasing its usefulness to the students, faculty and friends. The past year was spent mainly on adapting reference guidance books to the individual needs of the pupils. The reference section of the library now contains a total of 205 books and is still steadily increasing.

In number of books and circulation the Somerset High School Library has made faithful progress. The total volume of books in the library at the end of April, 1941 being 1671. The room itself has also made improvement for this year; a bulletin board was installed whereon important Library notices are posted from time to time.

A high peak of service has been maintained to everyone through the faithful devotion and help of the Library Associates who act as librarians through the school day. The able associates are under the direction of President Stasia Cerkot and Secretary-Treasurer Jeannette Masse, and includes Gertrude Chatterton, Elizabeth Butterworth, Virginia Doyle, Theresa Curt, Mirette Mungeon, Ruth Blanchette, Ruth Maddock, Evelyn Souza, Eunice Vestal, Adella Spanick and Ruth Powers.

THE DRAMATIC CLUB

Since the Dramatic Club was organized two years ago, it has been under the capable direction of Mr. Austin J. O'Toole, and it has progressed very rapidly. At the club's first meeting the officers were elected as follows:

President, EDWARD FRANCIS
Vice Pres., ELIZABETH BUTTERWORTH
Secretary, VIRGINIA DOYLE
Treasurer, JOHN HIGGINS

This past year has seen the club reach a new height in furnishing the school with its annual Drama Nite. At the club's bi-monthly meetings, the members of the club read and discussed several short plays.

It was decided that the club would present three one-act plays, two comedies, and one dramatic play. In April, work was begun on the three selected plays, which were to be given on May 29 — Drama Nite. The selected plays were, "Pickles Is Pickles", "Boy Meets Family", and "Higher Law", a play written by the director.

Other members of the club are: Miriam Bodwell, Edward Galuska, Fred Chapin, Everett Bradley, Sheldon Clarkson, William Coogan, Marion Doucette, Florence Sanborn, Charles Butterworth, Mary Ryan, Phyliss McFarland, Audrey James, Margaret Bouley, Rita Pouliot, Priscilla Bell, and Adella Spanick.

THE ROUND TABLE

After three successful years of activity the Round Table is becoming a recognized organization at Somerset High School.

The purpose of the Round Table is to conduct a study of the nations of the world through an impartial discussion of current events and the historical background of their problems, through research.

Under the guidance of Miss Doris J. McCarthy of the faculty, each member assumes the duty of keeping an historical and contemporary record of a certain nation, news of which is reported at the meetings of the club which are held once a week.

The club is based on the plan of King Arthur's Round Table and each member is designated by the name of one of King Arthur's Knights.

In addition to the business of the club, members of the Round Table have the pleasure of enjoying various social events which are held once a month throughout the year.

In April the members attended a party at Providence where they visited the Rhode Island School of Design Museum.

The club will bid in new members in May.

The knights of the Round Table this year, all of whom are seniors, except two are: Stasia Cerkot, President; Kenneth Gray, Vice President; Florence Karnas, Secretary; Edward Francis, Treasurer; Gertrude Chatterton, Edward Galuska, and Clifford Wood. Juniors, Richard Moore and Sheldon Clarkson.

THE S. H. S. NEWS

This year's weekly newspaper reached a higher standard when a new mimeoscope was purchased making it possible to have illustrations, firmer paper written on both sides, and a complete new set of letter guides.

The News has remained on the exchange list with other student newspapers in this vicinity, and is a member of the National Scholastic Press Association and the New England Interscholastic Press Association.

The main events of the year were a trip by several staff members to the NEIPA conference at Boston University, in April, and the annual banquet and theatre party, in May.

Much of the success of the News, this year, goes to Miss Constance Doran, faculty advisor, and Elizabeth Butterworth, editor.

NEWS STAFF

Editor, ELIZABETH BUTTERWORTH
Associate Editor, STASIA CERKOT
Sports Editor, HAROLD J. REGAN

REPORTERS

Gertrude Chatterton — Pauline Sylvia
Eunice Vestal — Adella Spanick
Connie Parrott — Stasia Cerkot

TYPISTS

Connie Parrott — Evelyn Simmons

Mimeographer, OLIVER PERRY, JR.

Faculty Advisor, MISS DORAN

THE SCIENCE CLUB

The Somerset High School Science Club was organized by Mr. Harry A. Johnson in October 1940. Its officers were elected as follows:

President, RICHARD MOORE
Vice President, CHARLES FROST
Secretary, GERTRUDE CHATTERTON
Treasurer, BETSY GEORGE

The weekly meetings were held in the lab, where at each meeting, scientific experiments and lectures were given. A program of field trips and social activities was organized and carried out, giving the members of the Science Club many instructive and interesting field trips as well as many enjoyable social activities.

In February, Mr. Johnson left Somerset High School. Mr. Reginald L. Hargreaves, the newly appointed Science instructor, succeeded him as faculty advisor to the club. Mr. Hargreaves proved himself capable and quickly adaped himself to his new duties. Now that the club is well organized, it plans an even more valuable and interesting program for next year.

Other members of the club include:
Olive Faber, Carolyn Felag, Dale Rothwell, and Wesley Gardner.

THE COMMERCIAL CLUB

In January of this year the Commercial Club was organized under the supervision of Vice Principal, Ruth B. Mason, for students participating in commercial classes. To meet the demands of the present day, a new constitution and set of by-laws were designated. To be admitted to all meetings, each member must give the shibboleth which varies monthly. At the first meeting of the club the following were chosen as officers:

President, CONSTANCE PARROTT
Vice President, MIRIAM BODWELL
Secretary, THERESA CURT
Treasurer, PAULINE SYLVIA

The club took part in an educational trip to the Herald News and B. M. C. Durfee Trust Company for the purpose of furthering their interests in the business world. The annual banquet and theatre party was held in May.

MEMBERS OF COMMERCIAL CLUB

Seniors: '41—Hilda Silvia, Jeannette Masse, Ann Angel, Avis Clifton, Evelyn Simmons, Aline LeComte, Stasia Cerkot, Dorothy Cross, Jeannette Berube, Florence Karnas.

Juniors: '42—Irene Boutin, Doris Chouinard, Claire Chace, Dorothy Brown, Evelyn Borden, Florence Sanborn, Mildred Camara, Jessie Lord, Marion Doucette, Alma Merrill.

THE CHEER LEADERS

The cheering squad this year added great success to the football team. With their high spirits and sound volume, they gave a successful performance. The girls renewed the old rallies and added many new ones which aided the boys on to victory.

Charlotte Coleman and Virginia Doyle, the head cheerleaders gave their best performances and with the help of the willing others, the squad made great progress.

The girls worked hard to aid the boys, and between their spirit and volume, they certainly accomplished much.

The squad had costumes of white sweaters, navy blue skirts, and navy blue knee socks. It consisted of eight girls.

They made new rallies this year, tried them out, and found them to be very valuable to the team. Other motions, too, were tried and were very much in harmony with the cheers.

The squad consisted of:

CHARLOTTE COLEMAN '41
VIRGINIA DOYLE '42
AUDREY JAMES '43
MARY RYAN '43
PHYLISS MACFARLANE '43
ADELLA SPANICK '43
EVELYN SOUZA '43
MARGARET BOULEY '43

THE STUDENT ASSOCIATION

The officers of the Student Association who are also members of the Student Council were elected early in the school year by a general balot. Because Virginia Bridge was elected secretary of the Student Association and later left, an election was held later on in the year to elect a new secretary. The officers of the Student Association in 1940-'41 were:

President, EDWARD FRANCIS
Vice President, FLORENCE SANBORN
Secretary, VIRGINIA BRIDGE
Secretary, CLAIRE CHACE
Treasurer, WILLIAM SHANNON

Many problems and ideas were discussed and voted on at the meetings. The idea of selling tickets before a dance was experimented on by the senior class, but they found the experiment unsuccessful. At one meeting the idea of fixing the athletic field was discussed and a committee was appointed to seek the opinion of each member of the school committee. The Student Association received a letter during the school year inviting them to become a member of the National Association of Student Councils and after a long discussion the body joined the organization. Another topic discussed at a meeting was the idea of establishing a central radio system, but members of the student body decided that the cost was too great.

Because many students did not know what was being discussed at some of the meetings, with the advice of one of the teachers the Student Association accepted the idea that the Student Council post reports on their last meeting and the topics that are to be discussed at the next meeting of the Student Association.

The meetings of the Student Association throughout the year discussed many topics satisfactorily. In all, the Student Association proved to be valuable by admitting all members of the school to express their opinions and by making progress toward forming an ideal student government.

FOOTBALL

The football team of 1940, under the leadership of one of the best captains that ever led a football team for Somerset High, was awarded the plague for winning the championship after a decisive game with Case. Teamwork was an outstanding feature in all the victories of Somerset High.

The team worked hard afternoons on the practice field and studied many new plays Coach Bill Spokesfield issued to them before the game with Case. Inspiration from a fine Coach and from Captain Ken Gray urged the boys to work diigently for a name they will never forget—Somerset High School. Assisting Coach Bill Spokesfield was Assistant Coach Ney who worked diligently teaching the boys on the line how to guard, block, and tackle. Surely we should remember men such as he who contribute to the success of a team.

The Blue Raiders, the name given to Somerset High's football team, ended the season with a game that made the opponent, Case, bow to a score of 27-6. The record of the Blue Raiders was 5 wins, 2 ties, and 1 defeat. They were as follows:

Somerset	0	St. Andrews	0
Somerset	7	Case	14
Somerset	34	Stetson	0
Somerset	21	Dighton	6
Somerset	26	Marshfield	0
Somerset	6	Holy Family	6
Somerset	13	Westport	6
Somerset	27	Case	6

The players chosen for the All Narry League team from Somerset High's Blue Raiders were Captain Ken Gray, quarterback, John Higgins, guard, Arnold Mycock, halfback, and Walter Plonka, center.

FOOTBALL PERSONAL WRITEUPS

The following contributed to the success of the team:

Coach Bill Spokesfield—A fine and well-liked coach. Boys willingly learn and carry out his instructions. He is a favorite with the students in the classroom as well as with his players on the playing field. He worked hard figuring out plays for the boys, and he worked hard with them on the practice field. We can say sincerely that we appreciate his fine work at our school and we hope he continues it.

Assistant Coach William Ney—Mr. Ney coached the line and taught the boys how to play their positions. He worked the boys until they knew what he was teaching them. He willingly gave his time so the boys willingly accepted his advice which was very useful. He was well-liked by all members of the team.

Captain Ken Gray, '41, Quarterback — Courageous, loyal, and spirited. Hard to tackle. Excellent running blocker. Chosen for the All-Narry League team and All-Bristol County team. Did a fine job on the team for four years.

Edward Francis, '41, Fullback — Shifted from halfback to fullback. Learned quickly the art of carrying the ball when shifted. A good spinner. His spinning was excellent at the Case game. Started his fine work by filling in for injured players.

John Higgins, '41, Guard. Rugged. Excellent guard. Had a determination to win. Always had his heart and soul in the game. Chosen as a guard for the All Narry League team. Good tackler. He made line plunges difficult for all opponents.

Alfred Doyle, '41, End—An excellent pass receiver. Came back after a year's absence. A good tackler. Good on both defensive and offensive plays.

Ernest Dearnaley, '41, Center — A hard worker who when called upon did fine work. Good passer. Always did a good job when told to take over the pivot post.

Howard Simmons, '41, End—Always put in all his effort when playing. A good pass receiver. Worked hard. He was willing to learn.

Robert Mayes, '41, Guard—A good running guard. A hard man to move. His temper drove him on to fine playing.

Fred Chapin, '41, Halfback — Was always called upon to play. A good plugger. A very reliable ball player.

Arnold Mycock, '42, Halfback — Highest scorer in the Narry League race. Good passer and runner. Good line plunger. Captain-elect for next year.

Bradford Sanderson, '43, Tackle — Good tackler. One of the youngest fellows on the team with a great heart for football. Developed fast in the latter part of the season.

Walter Plonka, '42, Center — Did most of the kicking for Somerset. Excellent at the pivot post. Great interceptor of the opponent's passes. Rugged. Good tackler. Co-captain elect for next year.

Richard Dyer, '42, Guard—A stellar guard. Full of fun, but when it came to a hard game he was alwayss in their fighting. The team will do doubt miss his ability to play football for he has left school.

Harold Bridge, '42, Halfback—An accurate passer. A fast runner and good ball carrier. Developed fast as the season progressed.

Joseph Suspiro, '42, Halfback—Great passer. Handicapped by a knee injury most of the season. Fast runner. Outstanding in the decisive game with Case.

Raul Camara, '42, Tackle — First string player. Once taught to do something, he would never forget. Known to his friends on the playing field as a great football player.

John Ainsworth, '41, Manager — Assisted the Coach in getting equipment ready for the players. Worked hard getting materials for the games. Always ready and willing to help.

Other members who worked hard during the football season and contributed to its success were Richard Chapin, Robert Clarkson, Joseph Almeida, John Velozo, and Everett Bradley.

BASKETBALL

The 1940-41 basketball team, the best in the history of Somerset High, completed a very successful season, winning fifteen of twenty-one games, the largest schedule ever played. This team was the highest scoring combination the school has had, scoring 770 points to its opponents 489. This record was obtained by the fine team play and the highest scoring forward line in the records of Somerset High. Fred Chapin, who garnered a total of 214 points led the scorers, followed by Ev Bradley and Ed Francis with 163 and 161 points respectively. Somerset took second place in the Narry League standing, losing only two games, both to Holy Family in hard fought encounters, and also advancing to the semi finals in he Principal's Tournament held at Bristol Aggies.

The Jayvee team also enjoyed a very good season, winning twelve of sixteen games with a score of 515 points to the opponent's 299.

BASKETBALL PERSONAL WRITEUPS

Coach William Spokesfield—Working hard and patiently with inexperienced material, he developed a fast moving, high scoring quintet. Considered strictly 1-0-4 by the boys.

Captain Edward Francis, '41, Center—An inspiring leader, a true sportsman and a tireless player. He led the Blue Raiders through a very successful campaign this year. His combined abilities of scoring, defensive work, and play making, mark him as one of Somerset's best basketeers.

Fred Chapin, '41, Forward — The highest scorer on the squad with a game average of over ten points. Also featuring in defensive play. Was an agressive team worker.

Captain-elect Ev Bradley, '42, Forward—An exceptionally accurate shooter and floor-worker. A high scorer and excellent ball hander, adding greatly to the efficiency of the team as a whole.

Kenneth Gray, '41, Guard — A determined hard working floor man. Very fast and agile, especially in getting the ball off the back-board. A very capabe team-mate.

Jim Courcier, '41 Guard — An able and aggressive worker. Good in the front as well as the back court. Sacrificed individual ability for general efficiency.

Richard Chapin, '42, Guard — An effective and competent defense man. Outstanding in the back court. Using his weight and height to full advantage he was a good team worker.

John Higgins, '41, Forward— A hard worker with an accurate eye for the basket, good ball handler in close play around the basket. He was one of the best foul shooters on the squad.

SEASON'S RECORD

Somerset	20	Barrington	27
Somerset	26	Dartmouth	20
Somerset	22	Dartmouth	25
Somerset	58	Plainville	23
Somerset	21	Middleboro	31
Somerset	23	Holy Family	25
Somerset	56	Bristol Aggies	22
Somerset	44	Westport	23
Somerset	21	St. Andrews	17
Somerset	27	Wrentham	10
Somerset	26	Bristol Aggies	21
Somerset	53	Plainville	34
Somerset	57	Dighton	18
Somerset	38	Wrentham St.	29
Somerset	77	Wrentham	19
Somerset	36	Westport	18
Somerset	20	Holy Family	28
Somerset	42	Wrentham S	19
Somerset	40	Dighton	20

PRINCIPAL'S TOURNAMENT

Somerset	29	Bristol Aggies	26
Somerset	22	Dartmouth	27

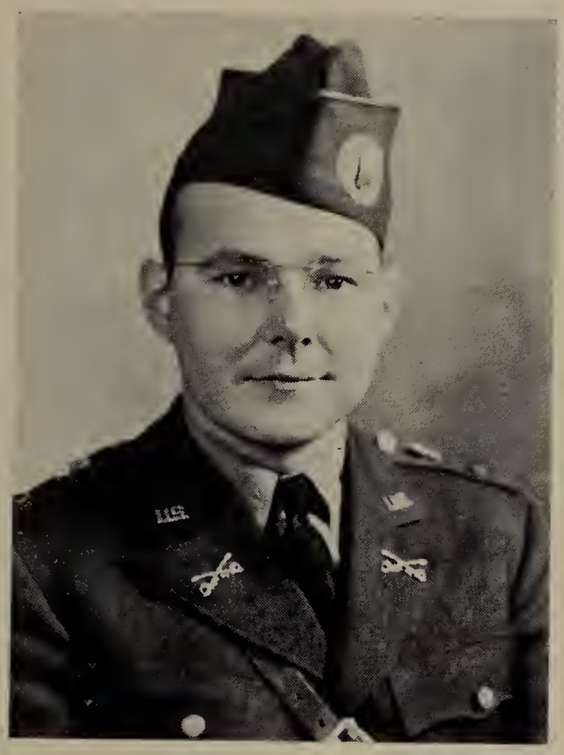
BASEBALL

On the opening day of baseball practice, thirty-five baseball hopefuls turned out. Among those present at the first practice were eight members of last year's team. At the opening of the season the squad was cut to nineteen, and later fourteen men were selected to represent the school on the diamond.

The 1940 team failed to capture the Narry League championship for the first time in five years. Four previous teams succeeded in bringing the honor to the Blue and White, but the 1940 league ended in a three-way tie, including Holy Family, Case and Westport High Schools. This year the 1941 team will strive to recapture the honors.

Captain James Courcier, Kenneth Gray, Edward Francis, Fred Chapin and Herbert James of the Class of 1941 are members of the present team; 1942 is represented by Joe Suspiro, Everett Bradley, Charles Chapin, Kenneth Grimes, John Veloza; 1943 has Tom Camara, "Chuck" Butterworth and Manuel Augusto; with Merton Fraser the only representative of the freshman class. Walter Calder, '41, is manager and Sheldon Clarkson, '42, is assistant manager.

This year's team is composed of several veterans who have received strong competition from other hopefuls. The candidates who did not make this year's team will have a chance to play for their class teams. Any unusually good playing during these intramural games may net the player a berth on the varsity. This system gives those who did not make the varsity team another chance to make good.



Somerset High School has felt the affect of the government's mobilization of men, for it has lost from its faculty a very fine teacher and a true friend. Harry A. Johnson, who is Second Lieutenant in the Officers Reserve Corps, was assigned to Fort Benning, Georgia in February.

Mr. Johnson's education has been a very noteworthy one. After graduating from Northboro school Mr. Johnson furthered his education at Massachusetts State College. Upon his graduation, he received his Bachelor of Science Degree. Mr. Johnson received his Master of Education Degree from Boston University. He also has made an intensive study of Marine Zoology at the University of Maine Marine Laboratory.

Mr. Johnson had three years teaching experience at North Brookfield High School before he came to Somerset last September. He has had a wide field of teaching, for he has taught General Science, Senior Science, Biology, Chemistry and Physics. Mr. Johnson has made it a vital part of his teaching to make his classes interesting as well as instructive. While at Somerset High he organized a Science Club which conducted many scientific experiments and lectures.

A Liberal Arts training was not all that Mr. Johnson desired, he was very much interested in a military training. Accordingly, while at Massachusetts State College he took a four year course in the Reserve Officers Training Corps. At the end of his training he was commissioned as a Second Lieutenant in the Officers Reserve Corps.

Mr. Johnson does not desire to make his military life a permanent one. He would much rather continue in the teaching field. His ambition in life is to hold an administrative office, probably a position as principal of a high school or one as Superintendent of Schools.

The memory of Mr. Johnson is still vivid in the minds of all those who know him at Somerset High. Somerset High School is awaiting with eagerness the return of its fine teacher.

CLASS SONG, 1941

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We've learned our lesson well, and now we part,
With love and loyalty within our heart.
From you the jewel of character endowed,
And we shall do our best to make you proud.

The years were short and life was warm and bright,
But now our lives will not be all delight,
For we must strive to climb to fame on high
As we prepare, tonight, to say "good-bye".

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And weep afresh love's long since cancell'd woe,
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